

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REFORM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the status of financial management reform within the Department of Defense and the individual services, after receiving testimony from Tina W. Jonas, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States; Valerie Lynn Baldwin, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management and Comptroller); Richard Greco, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller); and Michael Montelongo, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management and Comptroller).

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, who was introduced by Senator Johnson, Ernest J. Wilson III of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Claudia Puig, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Gay Hart Gaines, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Harold Jennings Creel, Jr., of South Carolina, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, and James S. Simpson, of New York, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space concluded a hearing to examine the brain science behind

pornography addiction, focusing on the effects of addiction on families and communities, after receiving testimony from Judith Reisman, California Protective Parents Association, Sacramento; Mary Anne Layden, University of Pennsylvania Center for Cognitive Therapy, Philadelphia; James B. Weaver, III Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Department of Communication, Blacksburg; and Jeffrey Satinover, Weston, Connecticut.

PATIENT SAFETY

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine putting patient safety first regarding drugs such as Vioxx, focusing on the Food and Drug Administration, and heart attacks, after receiving testimony from David J. Graham, Associate Director for Science and Medicine, Office of Drug Safety, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, and Sandra L. Kweder, Acting Director, Office of New Drugs, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, both of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Gurkirpal Singh, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, California; Bruce M. Psaty, University of Washington, Seattle; and Raymond V. Gilmartin, Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, New Jersey.

STANDING ROCK SIOUX RESERVATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee on Indian Affairs held an oversight hearing on the water problems on the Standing Rock Sioux Reserve, receiving testimony from William T. Grisoli, Brigadier General, Commander and Division Engineer, Northwestern Division, Army Corps of Engineers; Dennis Breitzman, Area Manager, Dakotas Area Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Richard Olson, Director, Division of Clinical and Community Services, and Ronald Ferguson, Director, Division of Sanitation Facilities Construction, both of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and Charles W. Murphy, and Mike Claymore, both of Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council, Fort Yates, North Dakota.

Hearing recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 5382–5392; and; 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 112–113;

H. Con. Res. 522–523, and H. Res. 862, were introduced. **Page H9999**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4634, to extend the terrorism insurance program of the Department of the Treasury, amended (H. Rept. 108–780);

H. Res. 858, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1350, to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (H. Rept. 108–781);

H. Res. 859, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 108–782);

H. Res. 860, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 108–783);

H. Res. 861, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 108–784). **Page H9999**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H9965**

Public Debt Limit Increase: The House passed S. 2986, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase the public debt limit, by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 536. **Pages H9966–87**

Rejected the Stenholm motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with an amendment by a yea-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 535. **Page H9986**

H. Res. 856, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 534. **Page H9974**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened at 8:35 p.m. **Page H9974**

Benjamin Franklin Commemorative Coin Act: Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make a technical correction in the engrossment of H.R. 3204, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the tercentenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. **Page H9975**

Congratulating the Boston Red Sox on winning the 2004 World Series: The House agreed to discharge the Committee on Government Reform from consideration of and pass H. Res. 854, congratulating the Boston Red Sox on winning the 2004 World Series. **Pages H9987–91**

Agreed to the Ose amendment making a technical correction to the resolution. **Page H9991**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H9974, H9986 and H9987. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

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FLU VACCINE SHORTAGE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing entitled “Flu Vaccine: Protecting High-Risk Individuals and Strengthening the Market.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lester M. Crawford, D.V.M., Acting Commissioner, FDA; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH; and Julie L. Gerberding, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Janet Heinrich, Director, Healthcare/Public Health Issues, GAO; Janet Olszewski, Director, Department of Community Health, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE FIGHT AGAINST METHAMPHETAMINE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Law Enforcement and the Fight Against Methamphetamine.” Testimony was heard from Scott Burns, Deputy Director, State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Domingo S. Herraiz, Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs; and Joseph Rannazzisi, Deputy Chief, Office of Enforcement, DEA; Lonnie Wright, Director, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, State of Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

COLOMBIA NARCO-TERRORISM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Aid to Colombia—The European Role in the Fight Against Narco-terrorism. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Robert R. Charles, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement; and Adolfo A. Franco, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, AID; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—USDA RACIAL DISCRIMINATION CASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing entitled “Notice Provision in the *Pigford v. Glickman* Consent Decree.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.